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GET GROWING WITH ELK GROVE GARDENING WORKSHOPS

Elk Grove, CA – The Elk Grove Community Services District (CSD), Elk Grove Community Garden and the Sacramento Master Gardeners have partnered to offer a series of Spring gardening workshops on Monday evenings from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Laguna Town Hall. Cost is \$10 per class or \$35 for the May series. All class fees benefit the Elk Grove Community Garden and the Sacramento Master Gardeners programs. Pre-registration is required. Contact the Elk Grove Community Services District Department of Parks and Recreation at (916) 405-5353 for more information. Weekly series details are provided below:

GOOD BUG, BAD BUG

Date: Monday, April 26

Identify beneficial insects and destructive pests in the house and garden. Methods for control will be discussed. Workshop will include a slide presentation, informational handouts on snails, earwigs and other pests.

HOME IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

Date: Monday, May 3

Workshop will address design parameters including: product selection, water availability, emitter and drip line selection, typical design and installation procedures. Learn planting guidelines, installation steps and details, irrigation scheduling, water application rates and zone run times and details on routine maintenance and system inspection.

ABC'S OF LANDSCAPE DESIGN

Date: Monday, May 10

Intimidated by the thought of designing your own landscape? Learn how to complete a scale drawing of your property. Discussion will include site analysis; defining individual needs & wishes, the benefits of a paper plan, proportion, plant selection & placement, lighting and irrigation, & the most common landscaping mistakes.

LANDSCAPE SMART

Date: Monday, May 17

Make your landscape water efficient. Learn planning and management techniques to save water in the landscape. Class discussion will take you through this process from

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knowing your site and soil, to choosing drought-resistant plants, to planning an effective drip system to manage water use and develop good plant maintenance practices.

DESIGNING WITH PERENNIALS

Date: Monday, May 24

Workshop will offer a demonstration on the artful incorporation of perennial flowers into an overall garden scheme, including the use of pathways, benches, containers, and garden art. Plant selection will also be discussed with consideration to length of bloom, choice of color, form, texture, and scale of flowers and foliage.

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